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In re Patent Application of:  
Christian Boehnke

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Examiner: LIN, Kuang Y.

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE  
PRODUCTION OF LIGHT-METAL PELLETS

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated February 13, 2004, Applicant submits the following remarks. A petition for a one month extension of time is being submitted herewith, extending the time for response to Monday, June 14, 2004. Reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims is hereby requested.